Welfare, New Delhi, is being appropriately strengthened. All India Institute of Hygiene and Public Health at Calcutta is also being strengthened and revamped Degree/diplomas in Community and Preventive Medicines are being given by various medical colleges in the country

Construction of Railway Flyovers on National Highways

2228 SHRI K V THANGKABALU Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) the number of railway gates on National Highways which are without flyovers,

(b) the number of railway floyovers proposed to be constructed at the railway gates on National Hihgways dunng 1992–93,

(c) whether there is any plan to construct flyoves on all the railway gates on National Highways in order to have smooth and fast traffic on National Highway, and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) (a) 366 nos

(b) Work on 42 of such road over/under bridges will be in varying stages of planning/ construction during 1992–93

(c) and (d) Proposal for construction of road overbridges in replacement of the level crossings on National Highways are included in Railways' Annual Works Programmes on the proposals being sponsored by the concerned State Govt with the approval of the Ministry of Surface Transport and the State Govts consenting to bear their share of the cost, as per rules

Casual Labour in Adra Division (SER)

2229 SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the number of persons employed as casual labour in Adra Division South Eastern Railway during last three years, year–wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha

Setting up of Medical/Research Institute in West Bengal

2230 SHRI HANNAN MOLLAH Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state

(a) whether any proposal for the development of modern medical facilities and setting up of any medical/Research Institute in West Bengal is pending with the Government,

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D K THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA) (a) to (c) The Government of West Bengal had requested the Central Government for provision of funds for the establishment of a post graduate medical institute in or around Calcutta On the basis of similar requests received from various other States, a Committee was appointed in August, 1990, to make recommendations on such proposals The Committee had made recommendations for upgradation of five medical colleges in different States which did not include West Bengal The Government after careful consideration of all as-

pects of the matter, including the availability of resources, the likely impact of such a scheme and constitutional responsibility of the Central Government in this regard, have decided not to include this scheme in the Eighth Five Year Plan

Assistance for Cultural Development Project

2231 SHRI SUDHIR GIRI Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPEMNT be pleased to state

(a) the amount of assistance provided to State Governments for Cultural Development Projects State-wise and Project-wise,

(b) the number of such projects submitted by the West Bengal Government during each of the last three years, and

(c) the amount sanctioned so far and the amount actually paid during the above period?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) (a) No assistance has been provided to any State Government for the purpose

(b) Two only, during the years 1989 and 1991 respectively and

(c) No amounts have been sanctioned, as there is no scheme operating in the Department of Culture wherein financial assistance can be provided to State Governments

[*Translation*]

Examination for Employment on Compassionate Ground

2232 SHRI HARI KEWAL PRASAD Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) the number of examinations conducted by Railways for various posts on compassionate grounds during the last two years, Board-wise,

(b) the number of the successful candidates who have not yet been offered jobs, and

(c) the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) (a) to (c) Compassionate appointments are made by Railways themselves and not through Railway Recruitment Boards

[*English*]

Microfilming of Documents at National Library, Calcutta

2233 SHRIMATI MALINI BHATTACHARAYA Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPEMNT be pleased to state

(a) whether leading newspapers in the different regional languages are being bound and microfilmed at the National Library, Calcutta

(b) if so, the criteria according to which newspapers and periodicals are selected for binding and microfilming and

(c) whether the Library has any projects of its own for the microfilming of newspapers, periodicals and rare documents?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) (a) Only leading newspapers in English and Bengali are being bound in the National Library Selective microfilming on the basis of rarety of material is also done